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THE NEW YEAR OFFERS CHALLENGE

This is the time of year when we make our annual varied number of New Year's resolutions. A few are carried to fruition, but most likely they will all fall by the wayside one by one as the year progresses.

The fact that we humans resolve and dissolve as our will power dictates does not appear to dampen our spirits in this matter, nor does it improve our logic, because come what may, January means to many—"Now this year I'm going to do . . .

There seems to me to be two solutions to this problem. One of the most sensible would be to cease making resolutions which we know full well we shall not keep. This approach would probably be the correct solution for most of us.

On the other hand, if there is something worth while which one would like to strive for, why merely resolve—**DO IT!!**

The cover sketch for this issue of The Oregon Christian suggests a goal which any one could resolve to attempt to accomplish. If the Spirit of Christ means anything, it would seem to me that we as Christians in Oregon MUST work together during this year of 1952. It will not be enough to merely resolve to **try** and do so—we must **DO SO.**

One of the obstacles confronting the Brotherhood in the State is that our members are not fully aware of what is being done. Does everyone know what the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood represents? Or the Christian Women's Fellowship? What does the term Christian Houses mean? Does C.Y.F., Chi Rho, or Phi Zeta mean anything to you? And how about N.C.C.? Where in the State are our old people cared for? What does State Missions involve?

Would it surprise you to learn that many of our folk in Oregon are not aware that our annual Convention is held at Turner? Further, thousands who may know, never attended.

Without being too obvious, I feel compelled to say that approximately 28,000 of our members in the State have never heard of The Oregon Christian—they couldn't have, because they aren't subscribers!

Won't you agree that a selling job needs to be done in our churches? Of course everything that we do should be for the furtherance of Christ's Kingdom here in Oregon. It is our obligation to work together to this end.

With this as our goal we need no resolutions. This year—let's just **DO IT.**

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Application for entry as second-class matter is pending

ADDING UP ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

The daily work schedule for November is as follows:

1st—Closing session of National Convocation of the Church in Town and Country
Half a day in the office

2nd—Half a day in the office
State Youth Planning Commission at Magruder

3rd—State Youth Planning Commision at Magruder

4th—Visited Sellwood Church in Portland for morning service
Taught a class on worship at Milwaukie Church at evening

5th—State Convention Program Committee meeting in office
Met with the Adult Committee of the Oregon Christian Youth Council

6th—Noon meeting at Ontario with ministers and their wives and other leaders of youth. Took part in evening youth rally at Nyssa for the churches of the valley.

7th—Spent the day at Nyssa visiting

8th—Spent the day in the office

9th—Spent day in the office with a meeting of the Loan Committee
West Oregon Conference party at Canby

10th—Home resting

11th—Sermon at Creswell, afternoon session of the Lane County Convention and preached at Drain at evening

12th—Visited Falls City concerning the loan

13th—Spent the day in the office, attended evening meeting of the Oregon Temperance League

14th—Office with three conferences

15th—Spent the day at Irrigon, spoke at the mid-week service at Heppner

16th—Enroute home from Heppner, half day in office, State Education Commission in Salem at evening

17th—Home resting

18th—Two sermons at Southeast Christian Church Portland, took part in the dedication service of Lloyd Read at Oregon City

19th—Office with one conference

20th—Office half day with one conference

21st—Office half day

22nd and 23rd—Spent in Spokane visiting relatives over Thanksgiving

24th—Office half day

25th—Told the story of State Missions before the Adult Bible Class and preached at the morning service attending my home church, Kern Park on Sunday evening, the first visit since August

26th and 27th—Spent enroute to St. Louis, Missouri

28th and 29th—Spent in a meeting of the Home and State Missions planning Council

30th—Spent in meeting of the National Association of State Secretaries

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—By Ross J. Griffeth

An ever present problem at Northwest Christian College is that of finding places where the Junior and Senior students can serve as ministers and thus gain, under careful supervision, the experience which they need in preaching and pastoral service. Dean William Siefke has given much attention to this matter and does his best to bring congregations and students - in - training together.

Eugene First Christian Church has been instrumental in opening two new preaching points during the past year: College Crest and Allison Park. The work at College Crest in Eugene was established in answer to an invitation from residents of the area. The Allison Park congregation grew out of a sub-division near Eugene and the generous gift of a meeting place by Frank Kinney, an elder in the Eugene First Christian Church. Both works prosper with student pastors.

The First Christian Church at Roseburg has also been active in establishing new works while Northwest Christian College supplies the preaching and pastoral leadership. Some other congregations have made similar contributions.

In a number of instances the students have, through their own enthusiasm and initiative, established significant new works in recent years. Often this has come from sacrifices more than the students should be called upon to make.

All of this is to emphasize the fact that someone should assume the responsibility for establishing new congregations. In many instances this must be a single congregation. In other instances several congregations or one of the state organizations may take the responsibility.

It is predicted, upon highest authority, that about five hundred thousand people will come to Oregon between 1950 and 1960. That is, Oregon will experience a net growth of this number in population. The total population of the three largest cities in Oregon—Portland, Salem and Eugene—was 452,647 in 1950. Oregon, then, will experience a growth in ten years larger than the 1950 population of Portland, Salem and Eugene combined. If we meet our obligation we certainly must establish as many new congregations in ten years as there are now in these three cities.

The best way to start is to start and whoever has the initiative, vision and enthusiasm to open any new work will be helping in a measure to meet the challenge.

Northwest Christian College has the students in training and is always ready to meet the calls for student preachers. Help us find the places.

Spring Meetings

While it is always desirable that students share in meetings as much as possible, it is never wise to hinder their progress in preparation to gain a temporary advantage. Hence it is that your cooperation is asked in connection with meetings in the spring of 1952.

Spring vacation will be March 23-30, 1952. We hope you will use students in meetings or for similar services during this period but will not ask them to give up days in school during the week before Easter. They will be able to help in many Oregon congregations on week ends before Easter but should not be asked to do more. They really do need to study if they are to show themselves approved unto God.

News Notes

Ninety-eight children under twelve years of age were invited to the Christmas party given by Mr. and Mrs. Ross J. Griffeth for children of students, faculty and staff members. The party was held December 14 in the Sprong Dining Room, Kendall E. Burke Hall.

The large cedar in front of Antioch was again lighted with strings of colored bulbs for the Christmas season. The decorated tree attracted much attention and brought out many favorable comments. The lighting of this tree was started three years ago as a community project but has been carried on by Northwest Christian College.

The value of having Northwest Christian College located adjacent to the University of Oregon campus is being emphasized in many ways this year as the University celebrates its seventy-fifth anniversary by bringing in outstanding scholars in many fields. In December the outstanding lecturer was Dr. Roland Bainton, author of "Here I Stand", the finest of biographies of Martin Luther. Dr. Bainton is teacher of Church History in Yale Divinity School. He spoke at Northwest Christian College as well as at the University.

During the week beginning January 20, 1952, a number of scholars will speak on different religions of the world. This will be an exceptional opportunity for prospective missionary students to gain new insights into the religions which they will have to meet. Naturally Northwest Christian College will derive more benefit from these lectures than will any other group although N.C.C. will not have to carry the financial responsibility.

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LOST AND FOUND

1 Bible with the name Pvt. Ben Teman
1 camera with the name James Collins on a film container.
1 white scarf found at the State Youth Planning Conference, November 2 and 3

Anyone knowing anything at all about these people, please notify them or the State Office at 512 Panama Building, Portland 4, Oregon.

STATE MISSIONS PLANNING RETREAT TO BE HELD

Beginning with the dinner meeting on Monday at 6:00 o'clock p.m., January 14, and continuing through the noon lunch on Wednesday, January 16, the State Board and all its Committees will meet at Menucha near Corbett.

The planning retreat will include all elected members of the board and all committees such as: Education, Evangelism, Finance, Grounds, Convention program and Oregon Christian Publication. We are also inviting representatives from the Christian Women's Fellowship, the State Ninety and Nine brotherhood, Northwest Christian College, Student Houses and we are not debarring any other groups who may desire to be present.

Time will be spent in committee meetings, board meetings, devotions, fellowship and there will be four inspirational messages on the themes of: "Come Ye Apart," "Lift Up Your Eyes," "Tarry Ye," and "Go Ye." The State Board will meet from 4:00 until 5:30 o'clock Monday afternoon for orientation and making any final plans that should be considered before the retreat begins at 6:00 o'clock.

Each one is to pay for his own meals. The total cost for all six meals and two nights lodging is only $7.00 per person. We have to guarantee 35 people. Travel expense for all members of the state board and committees will be paid from the budget. We urge all members of the board to travel in groups as much as possible. You can save the budget many dollars if you group your travel.

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PRE EASTER MEETING

Since our field staff meeting comes early this year, your state secretary will be in Oregon and can give some time to some needy church during Easter week. It is felt that time can be better spent in evangelism rather than promotion during this week. If interested, write the state office.

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CHILDREN'S WORKER VISITS

Mrs. R. E. Moshier, State Children's Work Chairman, reports that a recent visitor from our national offices in Indianapolis, was Carrie Dee Hancock, head of Missionary Organizations in the Children's Division. Miss Hancock spent two days in Eugene, meeting with the State Children's Committee. She reported that Oregon was among the top ten states in the matter of giving by the children. We are proud of this record—but not satisfied. Let us work to surpass it next year—not to beat a good record already made, but because the needs are so great and because by so doing, children will thus be given opportunity to share in the total program of the church in its job of kingdom building.

IT CAN BE DONE

—By Charles H. Addleman

We have inherited a rich heritage from our restoration fathers. The movement, of which we are a part, was born out of the idea we should restore the unity, teaching and practice of the New Testament. With that passion for unity throbbing in their hearts, the great leaders of the movement proclaimed it everywhere they went.

At the time it seemed almost hopeless in the face of rank sectarianism and narrow denominationalism. Yet because our preachers and people have been faithful in their witness through the years we find the cause of unity being preached and taught in all circles of the church in all the leading denominations.

Even though our preaching has been better than our practice we as a people have made an impact on the religious thinking of the world in matters of unity. This teaches us a lesson that if we continue with a constant message on a given theme it will bring results.

There is another New Testament practice we have not proclaimed or practiced very much: the message of Christian Stewardship. Somehow, because we have not proclaimed it, we have never practiced it. People in our churches seem to think they have the right to choose whether they will give or not. Preachers, elders, deacons, and other church leaders, we can never lift our stewardship from the mire until we make it the passion of our preaching and teaching. It can be done if we will keep at it just as faithfully as we have the message of unity.

We have not, and are not now sharing in proportion to our income. The work of Christ is still placed in the area of leftovers. This attitude and practice is cutting the very heart out of our work today. There are wide open doors in our communities, our state, our nation and in our world and we are sitting back doing very little about it. Many of our people are giving the same amount to the church they gave during the depression rather than a percentage of their increase.

This is not only an individual problem, but a church problem as well. Many churches have kept giving the same amount to missions, never stopping to realize it takes just as much increase to carry on an effective missionary program as it does to run our homes. If we all become as serious about preaching and practicing New Testament stewardship it can be done.

Let us begin now to preach, teach and practice New Testament stewardship. It can be done, but it must begin with the individual.

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Success is making hay from the grass that grows under other people's feet.

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Marriage brings music into a man's life. He learns to play second fiddle at home.

OREGON PREACHERS PARLIAMENT TO CONVENE

Dr. A. C. Watters, Head of the Department of Missions, School of Religion, Butler University, will be the headline speaker at the 1952 Oregon Preachers Parliament to be held in Eugene on January 16-18, 1952. As a former missionary to India, Dr. Watters will be able to bring some challenging and unique messages on the general theme of the New Testament teachings on World Missions, especially as they bear upon the work and teachings of New Testament churches.

Other items in the Oregon Preachers Parliament program will include parliament sessions on: "Future Development of Oregon—A consideration of the probable population growth and economic expansion in Oregon and the challenge such development presents to the church"; "The Church—Its civic obligations and opportunities"; "Oregon Accepts the Challenge."

While these meetings are designed especially for the ministers of the Churches of Christ and Christian Churches of Oregon, they are open to all who care to attend. It is believed that out of the discussions there will eventuate plans that will be highly significant during the next ten years of our development.

The sessions will be held at Northwest Christian College during the days and at the First Christian Church of Eugene at night.

Dr. A. C. Watters

Elery Parrish is President of the Oregon Preachers Parliament; Newell Morgan is Vice President and George C. Shoemaker is Secretary.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Mrs. Edna L. Burke

Dr. G.S.O. Humbert, for many years Field representative of Eugene Bible College and Spokane University, passed away at his home in Enid, Oklahoma on October 31. Mrs. Humbert was one of the first women in Oregon to be connected with the Women's Missionary Society, serving in the capacity of Field worker, secretary and President in the years from 1901-1903. Later she taught the Missions class at Eugene Bible University. Her fine Christian spirit and missionary zeal inspired many young people to dedicate themselves to missionary service. Among them were James McCallum, the Boyers, the Byerlees, the Hendricks, Edna W. Gish, Goldie Wells, Hattie Mitchell. Mrs. Humbert and her daughter Madge Dunton visited in Eugene in November. Their home is in Enid, Oklahoma.

Miss Verla Elliott, one of the missionaries who served in China before the Communists took over, has been assigned to India. Miss Elliott will assumer her new duties in the spring. Pauline Starn, formerly of China, has been chosen to carry on the work of the Executive secretary of Northern California, taking the place of Mrs. Mary Pollard, who has gone back to India where she served as a missionary years ago. Her name at that time was Miss Mary Hill. Mr. Walter Haskell is now on the faculty at Southern Christian Institute, one of our Negro colleges. It is located at Edwards, Mississippi. Mr. Haskell served 25 years in China. Mrs. Gish is now in Thailand working with the British brethren out there. Mr. and Mrs. George Cherryhomes have also been assigned to Thailand. Mr. and Mrs. James McCallum are now connected with All People's Church in Los Angeles. So although these consecrated Christian missionaries cannot go back to China for the present, they are busy for the Master elsewhere.

At the Area Assembly, the president met E. R. Moon, beloved retired missionary so well known in Oregon, who informed him that the ivory gavel presented at the time of installation of the president in September, came from the mission field in Belgian Congo. According to Dr. Moon, he shot the elephant and took a piece of ivory from its tusks and put it on the lathe at Bolenge, turning out the gavel which he personally presented to Archibald McLean at the Kansas City Convention in 1917. Archibald McLean later presented it to Fredrick W. Burnham, who became the First president of the United Christian Missionary Society.

Though a young congregation only five years old, All People's Church, Los Angeles, California, ordained one of its members on October 28. Kay Kokubun, youth pastor at All Peoples, was helped by Emergency Million Funds to leave a relocation center in 1944.

NINETY and NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

Attendance honors for recent Ninety and Nine rallies go to the Northwest District with 200 or more present at Central Christian Church on Nov. 26. State president Blehm presented the state projects and Jess Johnson, minister of the St. Johns church, brought the message. On Nov. 19 the Yamhill District met at Amity with attendance near the 100 mark. Howard Hutchins of Oregon City did the preaching. The McKenzie District met at Coburg the same night with 75 present. Brother Blehm gave the message of the evening and new officers were elected for 1951-52. The Blue Mountain District and the Myrtle District met on that night also to spread the fellowship geographically.

La Grande men were hosts to a special joint meeting of the Inter-Valley District and the Blue Mountain District on Nov. 26. Jess Young, president of the latter district was elected to represent the Eastern Area as state vice-president, and Walter Barnes, minister at Enterprise, was elected as Area pastor-adviser. On Nov. 27 another meeting was sponsored by the Inter-Valley District at Ontario. Movies of the 1951 and previous boys' and Girls' camps were shown. On Nov. 28 a fellowship dinner was held by the Burns church and the camp movies were shown there. Your reporter was privileged to visit each of these Eastern Oregon meetings as well as an executive committee meeting of the Central Oregon District at Bend on Nov. 29. November thus closed with 2173 miles travelled and 14 days spent in the field with total time for the month coming to 276 hours.

Nov. 26 was also the date of a South Willamette District rally at Corvallis with attendance of 100 within the district plus some 25 guests from the North Willamette District. Teddy Leavitt was guest speaker for the rally. Looking ahead, Yamhill District will meet at Dayton on Jan. 21; McKenzie District at Junction City on Jan. 21; South Willamette District at Albany on Jan. 28.

How The Figures Look

Ed L. Crook, Financial Secretary, has provided the following information concerning our finances:

Total income from October 17 through November 30 on the new fiscal year was $1535.63. Of this, $475.45 was designated for Millennium Minute Men offerings and $75.00 was received from the Visitation Evangelism campaign at North Bend. Thus the general fund receipts were $985.18. Disbursements from the latter fund were: Dewees salary (less withholding) $297.00, pension payment $26.00, travel expense $45.40, car insurance and maintenance $100.90, office help $25.00, convention expense $141.21, final payment on Culver parsonage pledge $300.00.

As of November 30 the MMM balance had grown to $493.45, but $2000.00 is urgently needed to fulfill our pledges to the churches at Lowell and Gates. Men! as good stewards of the Lord Jesus Christ, it is required that we be found faithful! Let us not neglect this opportunity for Kingdom Building. If you need more MMM envelopes or want to know where to send offerings already collected, contact our state treasurer, Elmer M. Patterson, 594 14th Ave. E., Eugene, Oregon.

The November 30 general fund balance was $101.06, but bills payable were: Dewees salary $850.00, Oregon Christian $139.50, Pension payments $52.00, printing and MMM envelopes $21.00, other travel and office expense $35.00. The amount needed to balance was $996.44. As you read this article each one of us will be preparing to give acount to the state and national governments of your 1951 income. But have we heeded Paul's admonition, "—for with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." Luke 6:38.

In order that the efficiency of our contacts may be increased, please mail a list of the names and addresses of the men of your church to Brother Patterson. Those hood should be listed separately and if no men's organization exists, please indicate men who should receive Ninety and Nine information.

Victory At Willamina

The Willamina church entered into the week of visitation evangelism on December 2 with a prayer goal of 25 additions to the church. Leo Woodruff, minister, writes as follows on Monday after the December 9 decision Sunday:

"Praise the Lord for the victories won! Yesterday was a thrilling day that will live long in our memory. It shows what can be done through concerted, concentrated and prayerful effort. The members were amazed and full of joy. There was a total of 32 who came forward yesterday: 27 in the morning and 5 at night. There were 20 for baptism and 12 transfers of membership. Some more will come this week and next Sunday. I baptized 14 last night.

"We had to open the back rooms and use the balcony for church in the morning and all but the balcony in the evening. Bible school attendance was 185."

A testimony to the loyalty of the Willamina visitors was the fact that four teams went out the night of December 4 in the storm which is still making copy as this item is written. All told, 22 persons took part in the calling, including Carl and Grace Fish, missionaries en route to Okinawa who dropped in on the last night of the campaign.

The Florence church will be the next field to be served by the writer. Their campaign is scheduled to begin on February 10.

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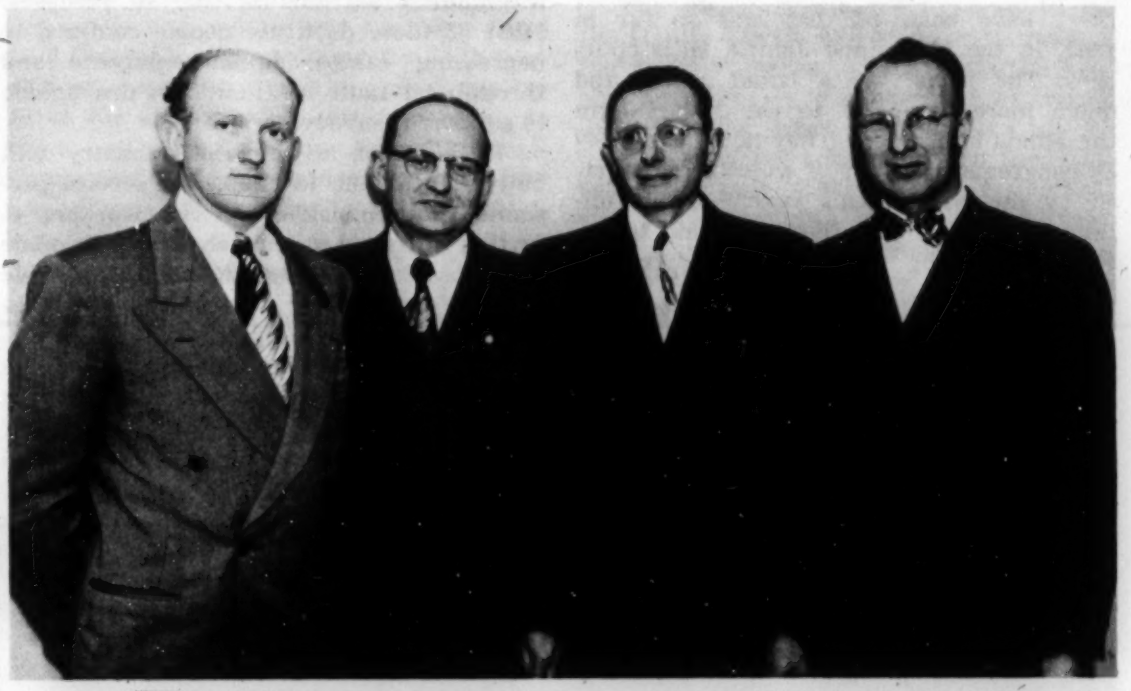
News and Picture Deadline



The Dallas E. M. B. Church quartet shown above participated in the Willamette District Ninety and Nine meeting held at Salem First Church, December 17. Left to right, Henry Quiring, Al Quiring, Sol Ediger and Nels Friesen. About 85 men attended. It was decided that the District sponsor an evangelistic meeting with Teddy Leavitt to be held in Salem Court Street Church, February 20-27.

Direct Support Missions

—By Rozelle Henry

In her December newsletter, Miss Gladus F. Schwake, R.N., who served 10 years on the Tibetan border, writes that "Donnie," her adopted Tibetan-Chinese boy, is progressing well at school. She reports that he will need an operation on his shoulder by next summer that will cost about $300.00. As Miss Schwake was unable to find living accommodations on the reservation to work with the Paul Magnusons in Arizona, she is using her talents in the Los Angeles area, temporarily. She needs funds for Donnie's living expenses as well as her own. She may be contacted directly at 522 W. 118 Street, Hawthorne, California.

Harry D. Schaefer, Jr. has written from the Central Provinces, India on December 4 that the Children's Home has been completely remodeled this year and now accommodates comfortably 135 boys and girls. Three schools are conducted in the Schaefer Memorial Christian Training Center building including a fully accredited High School. Forty-nine native workers are on the mission staff. Total baptism up to November 1, in 1951, were 51.

The 1952 MISSIONARY HANDBOOK to be published this month, is being enlarged to contain a historical background summary of each mission field, as well as the latest airmail reports for 1951 from each missionary. The price of the Missionary Handbook is 50 cents. Orders should be sent directly to the editor, David H. Henry, 1411 Walnut Street, Eugene, Oregon.

In an airmail letter from Assum dated December 4, Edgar Nichols reports that there have been 142 baptisms so far in 1951, in the Khasi and Jaintia Hills churches. The Khasi are a tribal people and much more receptive to the gospel than the Hindu or Moslem. They now have eleven congregations, four of which were started by the Nichols this year. Four full-time evangelists and five part-time teachers are working with the missionaries.

Special needs of the Assam mission is for more churches to adopt native evangelists or teachers. A native evangelist needs $20.00 a month and a teacher $10.00 a month. The Nichols' forwarding agent is: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Byrns, 216 Park Blvd., Painesville, Ohio.

HELPING CHURCHES THROUGH LOANS

This last month, Charles H. Addleman, our State Secretary, has been working on a loan to the church at Falls City, where Kenneth Hooten is minister. This congregation has been talking about building for some time and had accumulated a building fund. Recently their old building was condemned as being unsafe for a public meeting place. Now they are in the process of constructing their new building which will be a credit to the community when it is completed. Holden and Richart of Portland are in charge of construction.

The church found they did not have enough money on hand to complete the structure, so turned to our Oregon Christian Missionary Convention for a loan from the Permanent Fund. The loan has been approved by the committee.

A reasonable debt will not harm any congregation whether it be a newly organized church, or an old church. It is the belief of Mr. Addleman that we often have the wrong philosophy about planting a new church in that we think we must give them a building debt free. There is danger of doing the church harm when we do this. It is like the parents who set up their newly married children in a furnished home debt free. The good parents do it out of love, but they deny the young people the privilege of working out some problems for themselves.

The same is true with a new church. Those who are responsible for planting it should stand back of it, but, on the other hand, should not do everything for it. Our state missionary program is built on this philosophy. Our Permanent Fund is administered with this thought in mind.

Week of Compassion February 17-24, 1952

Another Week of Compassion will be observed in our churches on February 17-24, 1952. The goal of $500,000.00 for relief and reconstruction needs is sought under the theme, "If you care, you will share."

The observance has returned to its original purpose of helping to meet Christian relief and rehabilitation needs in strategic areas of the world which afford unusual opportunities for service. No church will receive credit on goals of "A Crusade for a Christian World" for 1952 Week of Compassion gifts.

A large portion of the gifts will be allocated, as in previous years, to the World and National Councils of Churches for interchurch aid and service to refugees. Most of these destitute people confined to depressing camps, cannot emigrate, and through no fault of their own are unable to support themselves.

In addition, a spiritual ministry will be made possible to chaplains, service personnel, and industrial defense workers. A further outreach in our behalf will be made through allocations to the American Bible Society and similar ecumenical organizations with challenging programs.

"If you care, you will share" in the 1952 Week of Compassion observance with a generous gift. No one else can do your part for these neighbors of ours just beyond the fence.

World Order Workshop Institutes Arranged

Four institutes on world affairs have been arranged by Dr. Walter W. Sikes, national director of social education of The United Christian Missionary Society. The institutes will bring outstanding leaders in the field of world affairs to these college campuses: Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, (December 4-6); Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Va., (Feb., 7-8); The College of the Bible and Transylvania College, Lexington, Ky. (Feb. 11-13); and Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas, (March 26-28).

Five regional workshops on world order have been arranged by Dr. Sikes in cooperation with state and area leaders. These workshops will bring together local church leaders for discussion of world affairs and training in the field of the local church's responsibility for social action. They will be held in University Christian church, Buffalo, N.Y. (Jan. 21-22); Wilkinsburg Christian Church Pittsburg, Penn. (Jan. 24-25) First Christian church Independence, Kans. (Feb 18-19); Mallory Avenue Christian church, Portland, Oregon (April 15-16); and First Christian church Ellensburg,Washington, (April 17-18).

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

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CONSIDER THE HAMMER

It keeps its head.
It doesn't fly off the handle.
It keeps pounding away.
It finds the point, then drives it home.
It looks at the other side, too, and then clinches the matter.
It makes mistakes but when it does it starts all over.
It is the only knocker in the world that does any good.
If you are inclined to lose your head and fly off the handle—CONSIDER THE HAMMER..

Historical Society To Be Relocated

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society in St. Louis, Mo., November 29, decision was made to begin full-time operation with a staff of three people about June 1, with headquarters and archives located in Nashville, Tennessee.

This important step towards achieving the objectives stated in the society's long range program has been made possible because of a very generous and attractive offer to the society by a city-wide committee, headed by Forrest F. Reed of the Tennessee Book Company of Nashville. By accepting the offer, the society will be able to do in 1952 the things formerly scheduled for 1957 through the normal development of the expansion program as outlined in the July 1950 issue of DISCIPLIANA.

The headquarters and archives will be housed in the Joint Universities Library on the Vanderbilt campus for a few years until a building can become a reality. The space in the Joint Universities Library (air conditioned and humidity controlled) is adequate for society use for perhaps a five year period.

The removal of the headquarters and archives from Canton and Culver-Stockton College is done with a sense of grateful appreciation for all that the college has meant to the society. By allowing the college librarian to give part of his time (full time this fall) as curator of the society, by allowing the society to use the Robison Collection as a nucleus around which the society's enlarging library and archives has been built, and by housing the headquarters and archives, Culver-Stockton has made a major contribution to brotherhood scholarship and research that has not been matched by any other Disciple institution.

Nashville is a city with wide cultural, religious, educational and publishing interests. Baptists and Methodists have large historical libraries there which should give DCHS opportunities for ecumenical relationships hardly possible in any other place. For the first time a Disciple agency becomes located in the South which has long felt the need for closer ties with the main stream of brotherhood life and interests.

Prof. Ronald Osborn, DCHS president, announced that the personnel of the staff for the new set-up would be Wilfred P. Harman, national director in charge of public relations; Claude E. Spencer, curator in charge of library and archives; and Miss Christine Buder, secretarial assistant to the curator and national director. Mr. Harman and Mr. Spencer need introduction to members of the society. Miss Buder, now assistant librarian of Culver-Stockton College, worked for the curator for four years as secretary while she was a college student. She has an M.S. degree in library science from the University of Illinois. Mr. Spencer will start work immediately for the society, making ready for the move in the spring. Mr. Harman will continue as director of the Campbell Home Campaign, and Miss Budor will begin her duties June 1, 1952.

All correspondence should continue to be directed to Box 226, Canton, Mo.

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A gossip talks about others; a bore talks about himself; a brilliant conversationalist talks about you.

PRESENT CHURCH BUILDING AT GATES

GATES CHURCH of CHRIST ERECTING NEW BUILDING

—By Loren Swanson, Minister

A series of momentous events are rapidly being woven together into a living monument at Gates, Oregon. When completed, the new church building will represent the cooperation of many individuals and groups. The story of how this small church began to build is like some of the stories you read about in a book, but can hardly believe to be true. For four years the congregation has been planning to build. A concrete foundation was laid there long ago, and then work had to stop.

Last summer we began working in earnest, believing that God would help us erect a suitable place of worship. At that time there was only one elder and no other men who attended church with any regularity. We had a little less than one thousand dollars in the building fund, the result of four years' working and saving. After the elder moved, two men began to come regularly. Both have helped immeasurably in the planning stage, and even now are giving all their spare time to the building.

There was a question of whether we would have to move last summer because of the possible location of a gravel pit for the Big Cliff Dam on our property. God blessed us wonderfully in two ways by allowing us to remain where we are. First, we had the foundation already poured, the primary pre-requisite for obtaining help from the Ninety and Nine Men. And secondly, our location directly across from the Gates Grade School and High School made it possible for the school board to lease our new building during the week for a classroom for one of the upper grades at $80.00 per month. Truly, God has blessed us, for in remaining where we now are we have a little over $2000.00 more to help finish our building.

The mason has already begun to lay the Hadite blocks which will form most of the walls. Volunteer help is needed to keep him busy and to work for the contractor we are hiring after the walls are up.

Earlier it was announced that the building would cost $3960.00. That estimate is still fairly accurate. Much material and labor has already been donated, but more is needed to cut down the cost. The donations that we receive will help to finish this building, which is just the main auditorium, and to start us on the wing we are planning to build as soon as we can which will give us classroom space and kitchen and toilet facilities.

The building must be completed before the next school term begins, to give the class that is now meeting in the hall of the Gates High School a classroom of their own. Besides, we are fast outgrowing our 16 x 32 building.

If you wish to help this pioneer church, which by the way, is the only church in Gates, become established and can help by donating time or money to the building, please contact Mrs. Edward Chance, Gates, Oregon.

Oregon Club Officers Chosen at Butler University

Word has been received that the members of the Oregon Club at the School of Religion, Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana, has elected Kenneth Johnston, formerly minister at our Dallas church, as president and Ed Farrell, who assisted at Salem Court Street while attending N.C.C., as vice president. Loren Fisher is secretary of the club. The names of the Oregon students attending or on the staff at Butler are listed below.

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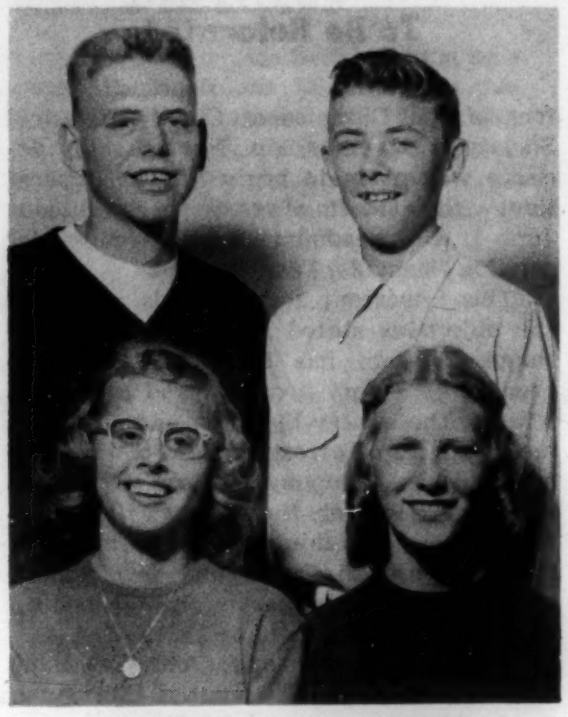

Astoria C. E. Leaders

A sample of the quality of the young people at the First Christian Church in Astoria is indicated above by the officers of the Christian Endeavor group there. The group is growing steadily with 20 young people in regular attendance.

Julie Simmons is president, right foreground; Bob Bray is vice-president, left top; Beaverly Bray is secretary, left foreground; and Don Walman is treasurer, right top.

The Oregon Christian readers would like to know more about other church groups. How about the remaining 149 churches in Oregon.

CHURCH PROPERTY WORTH PROTECTING

Due to the failure to think in terms of the total cause of Christ in Oregon, church property is lost that could have been saved to the cause. This was brought to the attention of our State Secretary quite forcefully last month. He received notice that property at Irrigon recorded in the name of the First Christian Church had been placed on the tax roll.

A day was spent in the community and it seems the work there was disbanded several years ago. The building was used by several groups and finally moved off the lots. Mr. Addleman was unable to find a living member of the former congregation. If the little congregation had turned their property over to the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention it could have been saved. In cases where the state society sells the property, the money is placed in the Permanent Fund and continues to help the total cause in Oregon. If the church is reopened at a later date, the money received for the former property is refunded to the church.

At the present time there are two or three buildings in danger of being lost to the restoration cause in Oregon. If the few members who are still in the community will sign the property over to State Missions, it can be saved to the total cause in our state. Even though the church may continue to function after the property is signed over, the group may continue the program they desire, but the property cannot be taken over by some other group without the consent of the state board.

If some of our weak churches will give attention to this matter, Mr. Addleman will be glad to visit the few remaining members and work out a plan agreeable to all. This is serious business, so give attention to it.

SERVICE AVAILABLE

One of the service churches can render in the state is to make it known if they want certain articles or would like certain things. For illustration, one of our congregations would like to buy some good used pews for their church. If any church has them, write the state office. Sometimes it is song books, anthems and many other things. The pages of The Oregon Christian are open to help churches with their needs. Likewise, the state office exists as a means to serve the churches. Let us learn to help each other.

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—Henry King

COMING EVENTS

December 23, Christmas Sunday with an offering for Benevolence.
January 14-16, State Board & committees planning retreat.
January 16-18, Oregon Preacher's Parliament in Eugene
February 15-16, Youth Fellowship Meet for Southern Oregon at Medford First.
February 22-23, Youth Fellowship Meet for West Oregon at Salem First
February 29-March 1, Youth Fellowship Meet for Mid-Columbia and Portland, at Hood River
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CHRISTIAN HOUSES SPONSOR VARIED EVENTS

—By William Terbeek

Incredible as it seems, the Corvallis Christian House is about to hold a Five-year celebration. This will be on Sunday, January 13, 1952 in the form of tea from 3:30-5:30 o'clock. Honor guests will be the twelve families who donated the first year's payments on the purchase of the House. Alumni and friends of Christian House are invited to attend this celebration and to stay for the regular Sunday evening program when Dr. Warren Hovland of the Department of Religion at Oregon State College will speak on "Various Ways to Know God." Churches are invited to bring a carload of folk to participate in this significant observance.

Four Eugene Christian House students are attending the national Quadrennial Student Volunteer Convention in Lawrence, Kansas, December 27—January 1. They are Betty Myers of Milton, and now of Jerome, Idaho; Ralph Adams, Jerome; Rosalind Lawrence, Eugene; and Bob Randall, Billings, Mont. Their home churches are giving generous financial assistance to make the trip possible. This is a fitting climax to the international nature of the Christmas observance at the House when decorations and programs were built about the worldwide theme. Foreign students from Iran, Hawaii, Denmark, and Norway gave a picture of Christmas around the world at the Christmas service on December 16. The students' special Christmas offering was toward the support of their foreign students project.

The highlight of December at the Corvallis House was the Christmas dessert held on December 15 at the House, when seventy-two students and adult commission members participated in a fine Christmas program, topped by caroling to shut-ins and church members until midnight. Wilma Stroebel of Kuna, Idaho, was chairman. Others on her committee included Celia Speece, Klamath Falls, Audrey Spicer, Willamina; Beverly Larch, Corvallis; Al Kim and Bill Perry, Hawaii, and Sylvia Myers, Corvallis.

The annual Christmas Turkey dinner for Married Students at Eugene was a tremendous success. Betty Clark was food chairman; Clarence Read, invitations; Earl Maxfield (just returned from a year in Korea), program. Hosts and hostesses were the Bob Lauers, the Jim Edwardses, and the Preston Bradleys. Closing devotions were led by Bruce Clark. Leo Berg is president for this year.

On Thursday, December 27, at First Christian Church, Portland, the regional DSF Conference Committee held a meeting to plan the second annual Spring Conference at Menucha. DSF means Disciples Student Fellowship which is the name of our national student organization. Don Smith is president, Vic Lambert, program chairman, Wah Chun, Oregon chairman, and Dulcina B. Elliott, adult advisor. The regional conference will be held shortly after Easter.

As Winter Term starts on the Corvallis and Eugene campuses, pastors and youth leaders in the local churches are urged to be sure the student directors have names with other pertinent data of all Christian preference students, immediately.

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LOWELL: Saturday, Dec. 16, was a work day on the new building and half of the rafters are now up. December 23 was another work day and it was the hope of the group to finish the rafters then. There were 25 in the December 16 church service so we are growing. Glen Lyda, pastor.

PORTLAND—FIRST: Pastor Myron Cole, conducted preaching mission at Portland Air Base under sponsorship of Chaplains Rolland Davenport and Wilber Hensley. Meetings each night in the chapel and lectures each day. Congregation takes possession of Ahavi Sholem Synagogue this month. Rehabilitation project to soon be under way. Will continue to use present annex until possible to erect new educational unit. Charles C. Manker, Minister of Christian Education and Youth reports Church School at a new high in attendance and stewardship. Four added by baptism, 6 otherwise.

COBURG: The average Sunday school attendance for the first three Sundays of December in 1951 was 154 which was a gain of 32 over the average for a similar period last year. The Juniors have started opening exercises and classes at the parsonage because of lack of space at the church. Frank Betzer, minister. **OAKRIDGE:** Five baptisms and one transfer since last report. Church greatly strengthened during one-week meeting with Gene Chamberlain. **WI-NE-MA, ORETOWN:** Meeting closed with Don Byers, pastor of the Medford Central Church with 5 confessions to be added by baptism, one added by statement. This will make 26 charter members of newly organized church. Floor in chapel is down, entrance and bell tower to be finished and shakes put on exterior.

VALE: Largest attendance in church's history. Started meeting Dec. 30 with Jones-Keister evangelistic team. Hugh Foster, minister. **ONTARIO:** Plans are under way for Evangelistic Visitation Campaign under the leadership of Ed Eldridge. Goals that challenge fervent prayer and consecrated effort on the part of the entire church, have been set. One added by statement. E. J. Helseth, pastor. **EUGENE-ALLISON PARK:** The church has organized a youth group and progress is being made in Sunday School attendance as well as church attendance. Our record attendance thus far is 54 for Sunday School and 69 for Church service.

ROCKAWAY: Four have confessed their faith in Christ and a baptismal service is being planned, reports John P. Frink, minister. Mrs. Edna L. Burke spoke to the Women's group, Dec. 14, and to the entire Church, Sunday a.m., December 16. Attendance is growing and everyone is working. **MEDFORD:** A reception was held Dec. 6 for Mr. and Mrs. Shelvy H. Anglemyer, the new ministers on this field, with about 135 in attendance. Rev. George Bolster, St. Marks Episcopal, gave welcome address from the Medford Ministerial Association and Rev. Earl Downing the address from the Christian Churches of the area. Miss Beverly Lyman is conducting a story hour for all children of the Primary and Junior age, each Saturday morning from 11:00 to 12:00 o'clock a.m., in the recreation hall of the church. Christmas white gifts program for the Northwestern Christian Home, Dec. 23, 7:30 o'clock p.m. One added by

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May I, to Thee, be true.

Let me not become, Oh Lord,
Wise in my own conceit.
May I follow Thee, Dear Lord,
At Home and on the street.
Make of me a servant, Lord,
Willing to do Thy will,
Willing to follow Thee, Dear Lord,
Though it be to Calvary's hill.

Give to me a passion, Lord,
For souls now lost in sin,
Give to me the words to speak
That I, some soul, may win.
May I not forget, Dear Lord,
What Thou hast done for me.
When I'm tempted, Lord, to sin,
May I think of Calvary.

May I serve Thee well, Dear Lord,
And I, unselfish, be.
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baptism, 10 otherwise. **PORTLAND—CENTRAL CHRISTIAN:** Since September 20, there have been 9 added by baptism, 25 otherwise and 1 life work recruit. At a dinner December 13, 27 of them were present to be honored and introduced to the congregation. At a special meeting held Monday, Dec. 17, the Deacons, Elders, Deaconesses and General Board elected officers for 1952. The church is planning for an evangelistic meeting with the Jones-Keister team from March 30 to April 20, and much calling is being done in preparation for this meeting. This church now supports 5 living link Missionaries and a native church in Africa and has increased its missionary budget for 1952 to 20% of the total income. Helen V. Young, secretary.

VAUGHN: Four added by baptism. Kenneth W. Knox, minister. **PORTLAND-KERN PARK:** Seven additions since last report. After a canvas of the membership. the congregation has decided to complete the new building now. Work is under way. Through volunteer labor, a saving of $18,-000.00 has been effected in the completion of the exterior of the building. Other savings are expected. The total cost now appears to be about $122,000.00 exclusive of architects fee and furnishings. There has been $150.00 sent to Jamaica for storm relief. Aprons are being made by the women for the guests at Northwest Christian Home at Christmas time. Baby quilts are being sent to the Yakima Indian Mission for distribution. A missionary program entitled: "God Is the Answer" is being featured each Wednesday night during the month of December. Special features are: Messages from Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boyer and Mr. Bernard Fedde, a concert by the Northwest Christian College Male Quartet, and a moving picture entitled, "Hidden Treasures."

WILLAMINA: 32 additions to the church on Decision Day climaxing visitation evangelism campaign conducted by Ed Dewees. Three more came later making a total of 35—23 by baptism. Guest speakers during the week of preaching that followed were: Dudley Strain, Elery Parrish, B. Ross Evans, Frank Zook and Bill Richardson.

WINSTON: Fred Evans, N.C.C. student, held a weeks evangelistic meeting, Nov. 20-25. A lively, enthusiastic and successful meeting was held. The meeting experienced full and overflowing crowds with 1 decision for fultime Christian service, 8 baptisms and 3 transfers. Others on the evangelistic team were: Jim Loyd, youth director; Joan McMickel, pianist; Ruth Nichols, soloist; and Jack Nichols song leader. Three are leaving our group to attend N.C.C. this coming term. They are Howard Averyt, Ed and Irene Gardner. Jack Nichols, minister.

McKENZIE BRIDGE: Three added by statement December 9. The women's bazaar and dinner was held December 3 and was a decided success. Choir directed by Mrs. Emily Stevens has made a remarkable advancement during the last year. Mrs. Anna Taylor's faithful leadership of the Sunday School the last ten or fifteen years has been a fundamental factor in the religious life of the community and has resulted in the flourishing little church. Frank L. Cook, pastor. **GRANTS PASS:** John Runyon and Bob Baird preached at Grants Pass while W.C. Piper was holding a revival meeting for the North Bend church. Grants Pass is looking forward to the construction of a new sanctuary. W. C. Piper, pastor.

LIBERTY: One added by baptism, two otherwise. **PLEASANT HILL:** The church voted to install a new tile floor on the entire auditorium and vestibule. Four added by baptism. Clyde C. Blakley, pastor.

SWEET HOME: We have just built a garage and woodshed for the parsonage, also a young people's room 28 by 22 as an addition to the church building. Our average Bible School attendance for October, November and December in 1950 was 181 . . . this year for the same period it is 213. We have the Alley Evangelistic party coming to be with us starting Sunday, January 6 through January 27. Sixteen added by baptism, 9 otherwise. B. Ross Evans, minister.

ASTORIA: On Sunday, Oct. 28, at the evening service, Chas. H. Lemmex, pastor of the Astoria Christian Church and Aldis Webb, pastor at Tillamook, exchanged pulpits. Both pastors report a profitable experience. Weymuch McGrew, pastor of the Christian Church at Puyallup, Washington, preached for five nights November 25-29, to increasing audiences during a comunity-wide program of evangelism, with each church providing its own speaker. On November 30, the congregation authorized the purchase of new pews in the auditorium from the DeGraff Cabinet Works of Dallas, Oregon, the pews to be installed by Easter, 1952. Leland Cole, Superintendent, is leading the Bible School of Astoria Christian in a forward program of efficiency and attendance.

GLIDE: Mont Wayne Smith will hold evangelistic services January 13-27, 1952. Music for the meetings will be supplied by N.C.C. students. Two added by statement. Tom Stratton, student minister.

MOLALLA: The new church building is progressing satisfactorily. The old building has been sold and we must be out of it by January 15. The contractor has promised that the new building will be ready for use by that time. Attendance has been running just a little above last year. A contest is being staged between the younger people of the church and the older people. One point is given for inviting a person and two points are given if that person comes. So far the younger people have won. The contest will end when we get into the new building. Oris Doty, minister.

PORTLAND — ENGLEWOOD: The church has installed new Carolonic Bells that ring out chimes for several miles around. The Sunday Church School is running about 245, mostly children. Many physical improvements have been added to the Church doing the month—new folddoors and new heating.

LEBANON: One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Ivan Correll, minister.

MYRTLE CREEK. The high school class played Christmas records and over our tower speaker system, bringing cheer to all the town every afternoon at 5:00 o'-clock. We are adding to our building by excavating more of the basement. The Junior boys will soon have a completed classroom as a result. Leo Horner, minister, reports one added by baptism and 2 otherwise.

ALBANY: Lester and Mrs. Jones arrived from Nampa, Idaho December 2, to begin their Albany ministry. The Young People had 32 in attendance at a formal Christmas banquet. The U & I class, (Young Married People) had 53 in attendance at their Christmas dinner. A Christmas play was given by the young people of the C. E. on Youth Night.

EUGENE — FAIRMOUNT: Since the last report there have been 8 responses to the gospel—5 resident transfer and 3 student transfer. Average Bible School attendance of 270 for October and of 249 for November are the largest in the history of church. W. W. White, minister.

SPRINGFIELD: The church is closing the year in good shape. Met all the regular payments on the church debt and made one extra payment. There has been a substantial increase in all missionary giving. Both Women's and Men's Fellowships have been organized and are doing well. Three added by baptism, 9 otherwise. E. R. Moon, minister. **MILWAUKIE:** A young married couple—Ray and Carole Anderson—have dedicated themselves to full time Christian service. They plan to enter N.C.C. next fall. Work is advancing on new addition, also many finishing jobs being done on present building. A new class, "The Challengers," has recently been formed including High School grads to age 30, with Mary Harding as teacher. Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Mrs. A. B. Walters, reporter; Alger Fitch, minister.

GATES: Volunteer labor from town people and an experienced mason completed the walls of the new building. Over 1800 "Hadite" cement blocks and glass blocks were used. Much lumber is donated. Roof should be on by Christmas. Loren Swanson, minister.

PORTLAND—SOUTHEAST: Bible School attendance on December 16 went up to 163 with no special emphasis. Averaging about 130. Five added by baptism, 4 otherwise. Gene Chamberlain, minister.

ROSEBURG: Attendance at all services holding up well. An average of 125 at Wednesday evening fellowship dinners;

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most of them remain for Bible studies, prayer service and interest groups for children. Pledges and cash coming in regularly for Educational Building Fund. Men's basketball team stil undefeated in YMCA League. Rea and Kay Kleinfeldt were extended a call as ministers until October, 1952. Four added by statement.

ST. HELENS: Sister J. A. Longston retired minister's wife and active member of local church, passed away December 7 at age of 81 years. Instead of flowers the friends were requested to contribuate cash for a permanent memorial. Her husband passed away here several years ago. Mrs. Edna L. Burke was guest speaker in the local church, December 10. Our Bible School children's departments presented their Christmas program December 16 and the young people presented a pageant, December 23.

BURNS: Thirty three Christian Endeavors attended the Central Union C. E. Convention in Madras Nov. 16-17. A choir of over 30 voices sings for each Sunday evening service under the direction of Mrs. Milton Bower. The Bible School is averaging close to the 150 mark under the leadership of Dr. Clifford Weare. Dr. John Weare, chairman of the Building Committee, reports the church indebtedness has been cut down to around $6000.00. Three added by baptism, one otherwise. Len B. Fishback, minister.

SALEM—FIRST CHRISTIAN: The first six months in new building completed. Women's Day observed at First Christian Church with Mrs. Helen Kincaid of Seattle as guest preacher at the morning service of worship. A pageant was presented at the evening service by the ladies of the C. W. F. Death of oldest living member, E. I. Byram, at the age of 96. Special emphasis has been centered on a Christian Christmas in the home. Forty adults and 160 children participated in a Christmas program in which the story of world missions was made a definite part of the Christmas story. Special emphasis is being placed on our shut-ins. Mrs. Earl Huckstep has taken over this privilege and calls on each one personally as well as sending them a letter each month telling them bits of news concerning the church which they would not otherwise receive. Ten added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Dudley Strain, minister.

MILL CITY: Elmer Boyer substituted for Mrs. Boyer, who was ill, as Woman's Day speaker, Nov. 25 at the evening service. The C. W. F. held a Christmas party with gift exchange at the December meeting. A box of clothing was sent to Jamaica, 2 boxes to Indian missions in Washington and 1 box to Korea. Bible School attendance shows a small increase over last year. Hugh E. Jull, minister.

ST. JOHNS: Four added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Jess Johnson, minister.

ASHLAND: Medford Jones and Dorothy Keister will lead in evangelistic meeting January 15-February 3. Earl F. Downing, minister, reports 2 added by baptism, 3 otherwise.

PORTLAND — PARKROSE: Dallas Meserve, minister, reports 37 additions—19 by baptism, 18 by transfer as result of Bayne Driscoll meeting, Nov. 11. One added by baptism, one otherwise during December.

NORTH BEND: Completed a successful meeting with W. C. Piper of Grants Pass on Nov. 25; 13 additions. Had 24 come forward on Decision Day; 12 by baptism and 12 by statement. Total for the month 37. Ronald L. Mowe, pastor, has accepted a call to the Kent Christian Church in Washington and will leave Jan. 1, 1952. Jones-Keister team scheduled for a meeting June 3. Started a Chi-Rho group and had nine out the third Sunday after organization. Mr. Mont Smith and John Smith and the girls trio from N.C.C. were honor guests at a C.E. Formal Banquet Nov. 30 in the social hall of church. Ten new members of the month were noted and honored. Three added by baptism, 3 otherwise.

LORANE: Had roll call first Sunday in November with 126 in Sunday School. One added by baptism, one otherwise. Bob Green, minister. **DEXTER:** Three new windows purchased for the building. The ceiling re-nailed in the church and general repairs made. Evening services are devoted to a re-study of the book of Acts with slide pictures shown. Plans for a religious census and an evangelistic meeting are in progress. Robert R. Sargent, minister.

DRAIN: At present the Drain Christian Church is meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Berg. This is a new church, beginning in July and has grown from 6 members to a Bible School of 43, November 4. At present, plans are being considered for a building. Drain Christian needs your help. Send any contributions to Drain Christian Church, c/o Mr. Fred Berg. One added by baptism, one otherwise. Gerald Tickenor, minister.

ENTERPRISE: Choir presented Christmas cantata under direction of Itha Wright. Young adult class just started and now has an attendance of 16 plus with Walter A. Barnes, minister, as teacher. Church and young people gave minister a surprise party. Church recently had open house at parsonage which was gala event, formals and all, interesting program.

MILTON FREEWATER: Annual church meeting with reports and plans held December 12. A pantomime was presented on Women's Day and a special offering of $52.00 was taken for missions. The Helping Hand Committee has sent out approximately 3000 articles of clothing to the needy during the past year. They have sent out 200 quarts of fruit to the White Swan mission. Help was given to 8 missions besides the needy at home. Choir presented a Christmas Cantata on Dec. 16. Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Truman Robbins, pastor.

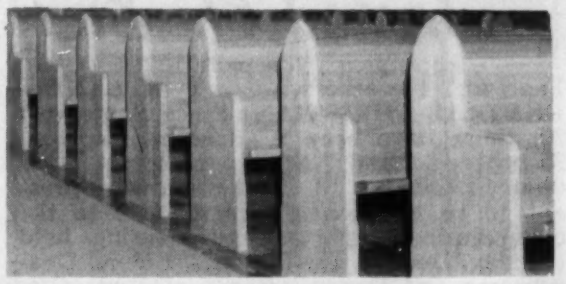
NEWPORT: We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. Florence Coleman, who placed her membership with us from the Tillamook Christian Church, on Friday, December 16, at her home here in Newport. One added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Wesley Goucher, pastor.

In a recent letter from **MEYER AND ALICE TAN-DITTER** they state they are working among the 350,000 Jews who live in the Los Angeles area. They report that 19 Jews have accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior. They say many others are very much interested. If you wish to write to them you may write to Post Office Box 85, Bell Gardens, California. If churches would like to have them return to Oregon for short evangelistic meetings feel free to contact them.

PULPIT CHANGES: Jack Adams has resigned his ministry at Glendale and intends to enter school. Ronald Mowe has resigned at North Bend having accepted a call to serve the church at Kent, Washington. Bob Kuykendall has closed his ministry, at least temporarily, at Beaverton because of ill health. We wish all these promising young men success. Our prayers are with Bob, hoping he recovers his health in a few months and will be back in the work he loves.

HOLLEY: Richard Hake to the regret of the church, closed his ministry at Holley the latter part of September. Early in November, V. R. Grogan was called as minister. Harry Benton, who preached there for 17 years, was the ad interim preacher. Attendance averaging 70 and above on Sunday morning with evening attendance average of 35. Re-organized C. E. with attendance growing to 15 to 20.

HEPPNER: Two new classes added and a Junior High C. E. organized. Monthly work nights have repaired the water heater for baptistry and chairs redecorated and other improvements made. Host church for Union Services for Community Chest Drive and pastor brought the Union Thanksgiving message. Finances improved and pastor received an increase in salary. Earl L. Soward, pastor, reports 1 added by confession, 4 otherwise. **SALEM—COURT ST:** Church sponsored "The Living Picture," a portrayal of the nativity scene, for six evenings prior to Christmas. The drama was repeated four times each evening. Approximately 50 young people participated during the week. The dramatization attracted city-wide attention. This is the second year the church has sponsored "The Living Picture" during the Christmas season.



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